SENATE BILL 3480

By Watson

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, to enact the "Archival Protection Act of 2008."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 2, Part 1, is amended by adding the following language as a new section:

§ 49-2-121.

- (a) This section shall be known and may be cited as the "Archival Protection Act of 2008".
- (b) Upon a determination to close a public school, the LEA shall employ or contract with a professional archivist to review all personal property contained in the school buildings for historic significance. All such personal property deemed historically significant shall be preserved appropriately and available for display at any public institution in the discretion of the LEA.
- SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008, the public welfare requiring it.